

Alexandria Gazette and Virginia Advertiser

LOCAL MATTERS.

The Weather Probabilities, April 1, 1881.—For the middle State, partly cloudy weather, occasional light snow, northwest to southwest winds, slight fall in temperature and slowly falling barometer.

THE BURNETT-EDWARDS' SHOOTING.—Arrest.—James Barrett, who shot George Edwards in the top of the forehead, on the 20th of July, 1880, and left for parts unknown, returned to this city yesterday, and surrendered himself to the authorities, but there being no complaint against him no action was taken. Yesterday afternoon Edwards, who has completely recovered from the wound received on the occasion, swore out a warrant before Justice Whittlesey, charging Barrett with malicious shooting him, with intent to maim, disfigure, distress and kill. The warrant was placed in the hands of Officer Goodrich, who served it upon Barrett, and the case came up before Justice Whittlesey and two associate justices this morning, but owing to the absence of several important witnesses the examination was continued till 3 o'clock this afternoon.

The examination was resumed this afternoon before Justices Whittlesey, Thompson and Moller, Mr. Edmund Burke appearing for Barrett, and Mr. S. G. Brent for the Commonwealth. After hearing the evidence and the arguments of counsel, the accused was discharged, on the ground that it is shooting Edwards he, the prisoner, acted in self defense. Commonwealth's Attorney Brent signified his intention of bringing the matter to the attention of the grand jury.

A DRAFFEL SCENE.—The proceedings of the meeting of the South Ward Republican Club, Monday night last, at which the positions of the young men of the city, praying an endorsement of Federal positions, presented by a speaker named MacLean, who promptly laid out the table, and the petitioners handed in signatures, have already been given, but the successive manner in which the said meeting was opened is curious. One of the members of the club thought it would be proper to open the meeting with an appropriate hymn, and presented favoring the proposition as he did the following, which was sung with spirit:

Hark from the tomb a dismal sound,

Blows are sent from the sky:

Sighs, curse and woe the ground,

Where yon mus, shortly ho,

The work of slaughter then commenced.

DISAPPROVES OF THE LAW.—Maya Smith to George Gilbert Simpson, yesterday afternoon, to sell fresh fish for sale by retail outside the Market square, in violation of the law in regard to the market, said:

"Unpleasant as has become the fish question, carrying with it restrictions that I cannot approve, and implying conditions harsh in themselves, and, as far as the citizens, I am sure, are concerned, in doing out justice to all claimants under the law, to justify the position that has been assumed by the municipal authorities. The law provides place for the retail of fish and game in the Market square as a privilege. To sell fish, as it was rated in my nomination, is to say that part of our town is a trash, and I sincerely am forced to enforce the provisions of the law in the sum of \$2."

MR. FOOL'S DAY.—Today, the first of April, has been dedicated by the wise to all the fools, and the trivial and coarsest sort, as on every other day of the year, when we rejoice and sing gaily as on this happy occasion. Those who have not walked the quays or streets for a year past, have made their petitions to day, and arrived at the end of their journey only to find that they have spent their strength for naught. A lady stepped on King's street this morning to pick up a flat-backed pocket book, but to her astonishment the pocket had, however, been closed and empty. The coveted pocket book was at once at a snuff and a wicked boy at the other. Jokes of all kinds have been played and taken going madly.

PERSONAL.—Mr. Bert Pittman and family will sail from New York next week for Europe.

R. W. Dr. David Wilson, the pastor of the North Street Methodist Protestant Church, at Washington, now Chaplin U. S. A., stationed at Fort Meade, D. C. in territory, will address the Alexandria Reform Club to-night. Dr. Wilson has the reputation of being a skillful speaker.

Major Smith will leave for New York to-night. He will return on Tuesday or Wednesday of next week.

The funeral of the mother of Mr. S. Ferguson Bach, of this city, whose death occurred a few days ago at her home in Connecticut, took place yesterday.

A \$500 PRIZE.—Among the emoluments for the \$500 prize offered by the American Humane Association for the best model for "the improvement of cattle," see Messrs. George R. Davis, Stephen Swale and William Nelson, mechanics of this city. The association has issued a circular for the instruction of competitors, stating that 420 models and 200 plans and sketches have been received, and that the winner's name will be announced as soon as the judges are able to arrive at a decision. It is also stated in the circular that the work of judging the articles received and of arranging a sure information is being pushed forward as rapidly as possible.

LAW TIMES IN THE POTOMAC.—At this season of the year, when old Barbs you have for days at a time, the water is occasionally blown in and congeals to the city, and it is usual to have an occasional island and a number of small islands are brought prominently to view. It is often remarked by old residents of the comparatively small number in which the land has been and is increasing up to a change, an ordinarily low ridge exposing the land in places where some years ago the bottom was never seen.

ANOTHER VESSEL FOR CUBA.—The schooner Miss Webster, Capt. H. Adams, arrived here today from Baltimore to Mr. F. A. Reed, to load cottonseed for Cuba. The work of loading in the schooner a cargo of 7,000 bushels of hemp and 650 shock-headed heads was completed to-day, and the vessel will go tomorrow from the Custom House for Matanzas. Mr. Reed is pushing this business right ahead. He has cleared several vessels from this port for Cuba within the past two or three months. He has only two days in loading the Webster.

DAVID WALTON'S DEATH.—All persons indebted to the estate of DAVID WALTON, deceased, late of Fairfax county, Va., are requested to make payment to the subscriber who have only quiet funds as executors. And those having claims against the said estate will please present them duly authenticated.

WALTER WALTON,
JOHN BALLINGER,
April 2, 1881.

SEED POTATOES.—
NEW YORK AND MAINE SEED POTATOES for sale by THOS. PERRY.

25 lbs SALDWIN APPLES for sale by THOS. PERRY.

100 lbs RED APPLES for sale by THOS. PERRY.

100 lbs SPRING APPLES for sale by THOS. PERRY.

100 lbs CHICKICK'S FOOD, Imperial Granum, Imperial Prepared Wheat, Liebig's Extract Beef, Liebig's Meat Juic, Wyeth's Wine, and Iron and Johnson's Fluid Beef for sale by JANNEY & CO.

100 lbs BUFFALO LITHIA WATER, a large sup-

ply just received from the springs; also

Congress, Geysir, Hunyadi, Bedford, Summit, Hungarian Beer and Capone Waters, for sale by E. S. LEADBEATER & BRO.

100 lbs MANN'S CELEBRATED CHOP

PIPING AXES. Also, the well known

Light Metal Harry Axe. For sale by JAS. F. CARLIN & SONS.

63 King st.

W. F. CRIGHTON'S,
63 King street.

LYMBURG EDGES.

HAMPSHIRE EDGES.

2,000 lbs of the above goods at much less

than cost price at 75c per lb.

W. F. CRIGHTON & SON.

13 lbs RECEIVED.—Linen Table Linens

Mail, Patchwork in large variety; also India

Style Clean Linen, Field Linen and New

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